

In re application of : Todd F. BISCHOFF et al.

Serial No.  10/735,057 Art Unit: 1732

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For METHOD FOR SUPPRESSING REACTION OF  
MOLTEN METALS WITH REFRACTORY MATERIALS

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment to the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been established.
- a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2005 was due on September 3, 2005, but because each of September 3, 4 and 5 were a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday in the District of Columbia, the response can be filed on the next succeeding business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday, that is, September 6, 2005. Accordingly, this Office Action is being timely filed.

In response to the Office Action, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.